

1-1 By: Rodriguez S.B. No. 856  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 26, 2013; March 5, 2013,  
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources;  
 1-4 March 13, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,  
 1-5 Nays 0; March 13, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the administration and management of elections and  
 1-22 public information of the El Paso County Water Improvement District  
 1-23 No. 1.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:  
 1-25 SECTION 1. Section 9303.001, Special District Local Laws  
 1-26 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-27 Sec. 9303.001. DEFINITIONS [DEFINITION]. In this chapter:  
 1-28 (1) "Board" means the district's board of directors.  
 1-29 (2) "Director" means a board member.  
 1-30 (3) "District" [,"district"] means the El Paso County  
 1-31 Water Improvement District No. 1.

1-32 SECTION 2. Subchapter B, Chapter 9303, Special District  
 1-33 Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Sections 9303.053 and  
 1-34 9303.054 to read as follows:

1-35 Sec. 9303.053. ADMINISTRATION OF ELECTIONS. (a) The  
 1-36 district shall contract with the elections administrator of El Paso  
 1-37 County to conduct an election held by the district.

1-38 (b) The district shall pay the costs of an election  
 1-39 conducted under Subsection (a).

1-40 Sec. 9303.054. PUBLIC INFORMATION. (a) The district shall  
 1-41 maintain an Internet website.

1-42 (b) The board shall make available on the district's  
 1-43 Internet website:

1-44 (1) campaign finance reports for each director;

1-45 (2) the meeting agenda and minutes for each open  
 1-46 meeting held by the board;

1-47 (3) archived video and audio for each open meeting  
 1-48 held by the board;

1-49 (4) the district's budget for the current year; and

1-50 (5) any audits of the district.

1-51 SECTION 3. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to  
 1-52 an open meeting held by the El Paso County Water Improvement  
 1-53 District No. 1 on or after the effective date of this Act. An open  
 1-54 meeting that is held by that district before the effective date of  
 1-55 this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date of the open  
 1-56 meeting, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

1-57 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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